

EXPLOSION ON STEAMER.
Persons Injured and Four Dead.

Roses Everywhere.
The most beautiful time of the year.

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Take a look into our North Window on Spring Street



And you will see every new style of hat. For swell dressers, of course, it is not necessary for us to remind you that we are headquarters. Our M. & B. special \$3.00 hats are famous. The \$4.00 Stetson and the \$5.00 imported English hats are much in evidence.

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What would you think of a corset that made you feel the ease for having it on? Would it not be comfort well worth your investigation?

Hale's Kid Fitting Corset does more—it gives that requisite poise to the figure so necessary and becoming.

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Style 276—Made of fine saten, is especially adapted for women with large hips, it is a marvel of perfection, combines the most essential and important improvements, overcomes the breaking over the hips and prevents the bones and steels from cutting through; comes in black, white, and drab, at \$1.50.

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Style 232—A ladies' waist made of extra good saten; it is not made after any French pattern, but to conform to the natural beauty of the figure, and with regard to the most approved rules of health; comes in black, white, and drab, at \$1.00.

Style 232—Ladies' Waist—Made of saten cloth, medium waist, soft yielding; it is for the woman who wears golt, the waist will be found a model of grace and comfort; comes in blue, plaid, white, drab and black, at \$1.00.

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MANY PAPERS READ BEFORE MEDICAL SOCIETY.

SURGERY UNDER CONSIDERATION AT AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention After Considerable Debate Adopts a Resolution Declaring That Plague Has Existed and Probably Now Exists at San Francisco.

(BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.) SACRAMENTO, April 17.—The meeting of the Medical Society of the State of California, held in the Capitol this morning, a paper on "The Treatment of Immature Cataract," was read by Dr. A. B. McKee of San Francisco.

The discussion upon the paper was opened by Dr. A. Barkan of San Francisco. Papers were read by Dr. George H. Powers and Dr. George C. Pardee of San Francisco. Dr. A. S. Fowler of Ventura was not able to be present and his paper on "The Ideal Correction in Errors of Refraction," was ordered printed. During the forenoon other papers were read by Dr. A. B. McKee of Sacramento; Dr. Adelaide Brown of San Francisco; Dr. Frank L. Adams of Oakland; and Dr. G. W. Davis of San Francisco. At the afternoon session the time was devoted to the reading of papers upon surgery and surgical anatomy, which had been prepared by Dr. William Lemmon of New Westminister, and Dr. J. Henry Barbat, Thomas W. Huntington, A. M. Morton, J. Rosenstein, Z. T. Malaby, William C. G. Levinson, F. B. Carpenter, W. H. Whiteberg and Emmet Rixford, all of San Francisco.

COMPROMISE ON PLAGUE. (BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—P.M.) SACRAMENTO, April 17.—In the afternoon Dr. J. R. Leine of San Francisco introduced a resolution declaring that it is not the province of the society to take sides in a matter like the discussion of the action between the Federal and State authorities in regard to plague, and that furthermore no evidence on which to take sides.

The resolution was referred to the Executive Committee, which later reported recommending that none of the resolutions offered by Drs. Leine, McKee, and McKee be adopted, and presenting a substitute to the effect that it had been demonstrated that plague has existed and probably does exist in San Francisco, and that the society has confidence that the Federal and State will eradicate it.

AMNESIA MAY MARRIAGES. MUCH-MIXED-UP CASE. (BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.) TACOMA (Wash.) April 17.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Mrs. George S. Ames, the story printed in San Francisco, who was married to a man who left two wives behind in California when he moved to Tacoma in 1898. She is the wife of the chief engineer of the Tacoma Railroad and Power Co., who was badly injured recently by the passage through him of an electric current of 2300 volts. Mrs. Ames fell in a fainting fit on reading of the allegations made in San Francisco. When she revived she declined to permit Ames to learn of the San Francisco stories, because he is still dangerously weak.

Her statement is that she married Ames six years after he separated from his first wife, to whom he gave funds to secure a divorce. Later they read in the San Francisco Chronicle that Miss Perkins, his former wife, had not obtained a divorce, following which his present wife went to California and saw that a divorce was granted. Two years ago she returned to her home, where she was remarried. Then they learned that six months must elapse before either party to a divorce could legally marry. In consequence they had the ceremony performed for the third time.

Mrs. Ames was formerly Miss Tessie Skelly of Santa Rosa. She has a son, who is now in the army, and a daughter, who is now in the navy. She hopes to start for San Francisco with Ames next week to finally settle matters with the papers there.

THAT STEAMSHIP TRUST. REPORT AS YET UNVERIFIED. (BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.) STOCKTON, April 17.—Efforts to verify the published report that the steamship companies plying upon the rivers of this part of the State are about to enter into a combination with a syndicate which will take in all the water transportation companies of the Pacific Coast, were not very fruitful here today, owing to the absence from the city of the heads of the local companies.

Maj. J. D. Peters, president and manager of the California Navigation and Improvement Company, at Byron Hot Springs, and James Gillies, president of the Union Transportation Company, is in San Francisco. The local officers of the companies mentioned declined to discuss the matter, but none

